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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EINV, EG  
SUBJECT: FORD PROPOSAL AND EGYPTIAN LAW

REF: ALEXANDRIA 0383

1. MANAGING DIRECTOR FORD MOTOR COMPANY (EGYPT), NICHOLAS OUROUSSOFF, TOLD ME DURING DISCUSSION PRESENT STATE OF PLAY ON FORD'S PROPOSAL RESUME AND EXPAND FORD ACTIVITIES HERE (REFTEL), THAT HIS OPPOSITE NUMBER IN EGYPT'S EL NASR MOTOR COMPANY, DOCTOR GAZARINE, HAD COMMENTED UNHAPPILY ON REVISIONS OF LAW 43. THESE REVISIONS, SEEKING MAKE FOREIGN INVESTMENT MORE ATTRACTIVE, HAVE BEEN AMENDED BY PEOPLES' ASSEMBLY DURING DEBATE LAST WEEK TO PROVIDE THAT NO MINISTER, UNDERSECRETARY OR OTHER SENIOR GOE OFFICIAL, MAY ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT WITH OR OTHERWISE HAVE CONNECTIONS WITH ANY FOREIGN COMPANY DOING BUSINESS UNDER THAT LAW FOR THREE YEARS AFTER HE OR SHE LEAVES GOVERNMENT. THAT MEANS, GAZARINE TOLD OUROUSSOFF, I CANNOT ACCEPT A POSITION WITH FORD.

2. OUROUSSOFF SAID THAT IN THREE YEARS OF NEGOTIATIONS TO DATE, GAZARINE HAD NEVER MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF JOINING FORD VENTURE HERE (GAZARINE'S POSITION IS ROUGHLY EQUIVALENT TO MANAGING DIRECTOR, FIAT OF EGYPT). OUROUSSOFF SAID HE WAS DELIGHTED WITH LAW 43'S REVISIONS ON THAT COUNT, SINCE FORD WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN INTERESTED IN HAVING GAZARINE AND NOW THEY WILL HAVE  
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